the time of such election; and one of the said commissioners at least shall be an acting justice of the peace for the county of Gates.

Who may vote.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That every resident of the said town qualified to vote for members of the House of Commons shall be entitled to vote for such commissioners, and the elections shall be conducted as elections now are for members of the General Assembly.

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SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, That the commissioners thus elected, being notified by the inspectors, shall before entering on the duties of their office take an oath before some justice of the peace for the county aforesaid to perform faithfully and impartially the duties of their office to the best of their ability; and any one so elected as aforesaid refusing to take such oath for the space of one month after his election, having been notified thereof ten days, unless he shall remove out of the limits of said town within the time, or be otherwise incapable to serve, shall be liable to pay the sum of twenty dollars to the use of said town, of which forfeiture the State's attorney for the county aforesaid is authorised and required hereby, in the name of the board of commissioners aforesaid, to seek the recovery and collection.

Body corporate

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That said commissioners be constituted a body corporate under the name and style of the board of commissioners for the town of Gatesville, and as such, shall have a common seal, may sue and be sued, may purchase, hold and convey property of any kind; shall have power to alter, extend and establish boundaries to said town; may remove nuisances, provide against fire and desease; and make all necessary by-laws and regulations for the good government and well ordering of said town not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State.

Treasurer.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That the board aforesaid, shall appoint a town treasurer, who shall give bond, payable to the board, with good and sufficient securities, conditioned for the faithful keeping and paying over all such sums as may come into his hands. It shall be his duty to receive all moneys belonging to the town, and pay the same out by order of the board. At the end of the year, he shall publish a statement of his accounts in some conspicuous